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TO: Summit County Board of Health

Scott Vargo Jeff Huntley

FROM: Lori Dwyer

RE: BOCC and BOH Joint Work Session of March 30, 2021

DATE: March 30, 2021

Attendees:

Elected Officials (via conference phone): Elisabeth Lawrence, Tamara Pogue and Josh Blanchard – Commissioners

Jaime FitzSimons - Sheriff

Staff (via conference phone): Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney; Cameron Turpin, Assistant County Attorney; Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Amy Wineland, Public Health Director; Nicole Valentine, Director of Communications; Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Molly Boyd, Human Resources Director and Lori Dwyer, Administrative Assistant.

Guests (via phone): Ashley Kubiszyn, Cea Mills, Blair McGary, Corry Mihm, Alison Mathes, Sawyer DArgonne, Peyton Rogers, Rob McCready, Tara Olson, Peter Siegel, Don Parsons, Hal Vatcher, Courtney Johnson, Helen Cospolich, Melany Beck and others that did not sign in.

I. Standing Agenda Items/Updates

a. Public Health Director Updates

i. Local and Regional/State COVID Case and Hospitalization Statistics and Trends

Amy Wineland noted that across the state, cases continue to plateau although there are increased cases and hospitalizations in some resort areas. It is unclear if this is temporary or will change after spring breaks have concluded. In Summit County, cases have increased dramatically. Cases are at 432 per 100,000 and Public Health has noted 19 confirmed cases of variants with 62 tests pending. 27% of Summit County's confirmed cases are now variants.

ii. Local Testing Statistics and Program Update

Ms. Wineland noted that Summit County's testing is in high demand. The State is asking people to continue to get tested for the virus. Ms. Wineland noted that anyone who is fully vaccinated and showing symptoms should get tested, as there have been breakthrough cases of COVID among those individuals.

iii. Vaccine Distribution Update

Ms. Wineland noted that all adult residents of Summit County should preregister for vaccination. Phase 2, which is for the general public, will start Friday, April 2nd. The Pfizer vaccine is the only one approved for individuals between the ages of 16-18, and Public Health will offer them the appropriate vaccination. Parents or guardians are required to attend the clinic with any minor receiving a vaccine. 43.6% of Summit County's adult population has already received at least one dose. Ms. Wineland noted that at this point, people cannot choose which vaccine brand to receive.

iv. Transmission Trends

Ms. Wineland noted that the Contact Tracing team has noticed increased social gatherings and more outbreaks in businesses, especially in Front of House restaurant staff.

b. Communications Update and Discussion

Nicole Valentine noted that current messaging includes Dish with the Commish on Summit County's case numbers, general vaccine messaging, and coordinated Public Information Officer messaging with the towns.

II. Critical Topics Not Covered Above

Dwyer, Deputy Clerk

III. Open BOH/BOCC Discussion, As Needed

Commissioners and staff discussed whether the State will move Summit County to Level Orange later in the week.

Established

Commissioners and staff discussed how to proceed with community input for the end of the State dial, balancing economic concerns with the reality of the public health data and given the variants that are emerging.

proved by:

abeth Lawrence, Chair

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Summit County Board of Health Special Work Session Meeting Minutes of March 30, 2021